

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Docket No. GP-301069

Inventors: LANCE T. RANSOM

Title: ROBOTIC RACK LOADING APPARATUS AND METHOD

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DESIGNATION OF CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**

As an agent of General Motors Corporation, General Motors of Canada Limited, General Motors Japan Ltd., General Motors Strasbourg S.A., and Saturn Corporation, one or more of whom is the assignee of this patent application, I hereby appoint the following attorney employed by General Motors Corporation to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

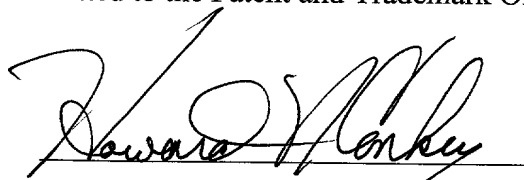
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I am authorized to make the above appointment. The assignee's ownership of this patent application is established by the attached assignment documentation, the attached documentation is a true copy of the original documentation, and the original or a true copy of the attached documentation has been or is concurrently being submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office for recording.

By:



Name: Howard N. Conkey – Agent

Date: December 14, 2001

# ASSIGNMENT

Pursuant to an agreement with my employer, I formally assign to GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION, the entire right, title and interest, in all countries, in the improvements set forth in the United States patent application GP-301069 entitled

## ROBOTIC RACK LOADING APPARATUS AND METHOD

for which I executed a declaration dated as indicated below. If the patent application has been filed, I authorize attorney CHRISTOPHER DEVRIES to insert the application number and filing date of said application here in parentheses ( \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ ) when known.

Inventor's signature



Date 12-10-01

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Declaration dated :

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12-10-01

On this 10 day of DECEMBER, 2001, before me personally appeared LANCE T. RANSOM, known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same.

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My commission expires:

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My Commission Expires Sept. 28, 2003

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and  
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As an inventor named below, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one inventor is named below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought in the specification GP-301069 entitled

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I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to in this Declaration.

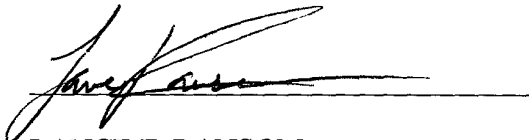
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I further declare that all statements made above of my own knowledge are true, that all statements made above on information and belief are believed to be true, and that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under title 18 United States Code, Section 1001 and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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